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SUBJECT: VISAS SPLEX: SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AGREEMENT,
ELECTROMETALLURGY

REF: A) STATE 274325

B) MOSCOW 16056

1. IN 25 NOVEMBER MEETING AT SCST, AYKAZAN AND DVORETS INFORMED EMBOFF THAT SOVIETS REGARD VISA FOR GLEBOV AS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT MATTER SINCE HE IS ORGANIZER OF US-USSR COOPERATION IN ELECTRO-METALLURGY, AND HE IS SOLE MEMBER OF SOVDEL WHO HAS PARTICIPATED FULLY IN AND IS AWARE OF ALL PREPARATIONS FOR VISIT. DVORETS COMMENTED THAT IF GLEBOV IS NOT ISSUED VISA, ENTIRE SOVDEL MAY NOT TRAVEL. AYKAZYAN ADDED THAT OTHER MEMBERS OF SOVDEL MUST TRAVEL TO MOSCOW PRIOR DEPARTURE FOR US, SO THAT DECISION IS URGENTLY NEEDED.

2. SCIENCE OFFICE HAS FOUND GLEBOV VITAL POINT IN ORGANIZATION OF US-USSR ELECTROMETALLURGY COOPERATION, WHICH BOTH SIDES HAVE RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF MOST PROMISING AREAS OF US-USSR COOPERATION.

3. ECONOMIC OFFICE HAS FOUND GLEBOV EXTREMELY VALUABLE AND COOPERATIVE CONTACT IN SEVERAL IMPORTANT AREAS.

4. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS DEPT ARRANGE SUITABLE PRECAUTIONS AND AUTHORIZE VISA ISSUANCE AS SOON AS FEASIBLE. (EMBASSY NOTES SUBJECT WAS ISSUED VISA FEBRUARY 21 PER STATE 039043 OF FEBRUARY 20 AND PREVIOUS). MATLOCK

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